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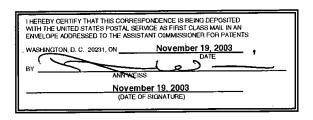
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## Dear Sir or Madam:

This is a follow-up letter to the *Response to Office Action*, mailed by Applicants on November 18, 2003, for the above-captioned patent application. In the Response, a facsimile of a declaration by co-inventor Dr. Daniel Cohn under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 was appended as Exhibit B. It was noted that the original would be forwarded to the Examiner when received by Applicants' undersigned attorney (see page 8, paragraph 2, of the *Response to Office Action*).

Accordingly, the original declaration executed by Dr. Cohn, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131, is submitted herewith.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (213) 896-6665 if there are any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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